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From: Levine, Carolyn

Sent: Fri 2/7/2014 9:19:22 PM **Subject:** Re: Formaldehyde Update

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From: Miller, Linda

Sent: Friday, February 07, 2014 4:05:49 PM

To: Levine, Carolyn

Subject: FW: Formaldehyde Update

This is additional information fyi. I would feel comfortable sharing this - what do you think?

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All,

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Attached is the report provided by Dr. Simonton.

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